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In re application of:  
Goldstein

Serial No.: 09/935,510

Filed: August 23, 2001

For: Hearing Aids Based On Models Of  
Cochlear Compression Using Adaptive  
Compression Thresholds

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE A

In response to the Office Action of October 9, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

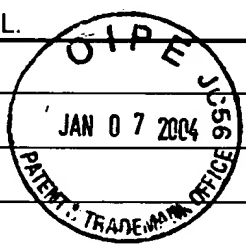
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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>  <b>Title: <u>Hearing Aids Based On Models Of Cochlear Compression Using Adaptive Compression Thresholds</u></b>		Serial No.	09/935,510
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